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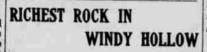
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While the uncovering of the marvelous pay streak adds to the elation of the mine owners of the district, they base their high estimation of the worth of Windy Hollow on the huge dimensions of the ledges and the stable character of the veins. Secretary F. H. Briggs of the Lakeview company, who was also a resident of Grants Pass believes the great gold rush of next Summer will be to Windy Hollow and that section of

"Everything that has been found bere is proving big," said Mr. Briggs. "Not a single stringer vein pockets, no blanket ledges; everything is broad, deep and permanent with good values all the way through. This is what attracts the real mining man, and that is why I am confident we will have a crowd of gold-diggers over there as soon as the weather softens and the snow

A large crowd attended the auction sale at Independence last month on the first "auction day." It was recently decided to set aside one day of each month to hold these auction sales, at which time anyone is at liberty to bring any property of any description that he has for sale to the highest bidder, th day to be known as "auction day." These sales are enducted in neighboring towns and have proved very belpful, particularly

At this sale, although it was the first held, there was a large crowd and among the property to change hands were six horses, three cows, two wagons, plows, harrows, farming implements of every description, etc. The fourth Saturday of each month has been decided on as the regular day for these sales, and with the present prospects it is likely a second Saturday during the month will be designated.

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ceived by M. Marks, formerly of Grants Pass, manager of the Lakeview Mining & Milling company In a tunnel on the Jumbo claim a body of ore has been opened that is literally peppered with gold. The strike is on the main ledge, 150 feet north of the original workings from which Loftus Brothers made the

The recent strike is said to be of a better character in that it occurs at depth and directly on the main lode. Samples of ore sent out prove the t ike to be a fabulous one. Gold is visible in all parts of the quartz, and the poorest of it runs hundreds of dollars to the ton.

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The gold occurs in nuggets and is so uniformly coarse that pieces of less than \$1 in weight are classified by Mr. Tycer as "fine gold" and he chafes impatiently at the labor req nired to separate such pieces from the black sand and other heavy residue. The mine has in a district of rich quartz mines a number of which are now being worked on a small scale at a profit.

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